

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**Call to Order:** Chair David Howard, on March 21, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. David Howard, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)  
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)  
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)  
Rep. Michael (Mike) More (R)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)  
Rep. Joe Read (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)  
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)  
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)  
Rep. Max Yates (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Miranda Keaster, Committee Secretary  
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 272, 3/16/2011; HB 175, 3/16/2011

**HEARING ON HB 175**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:16 Rep. Keith Regier (R), HD 5, opened the hearing on HB 175, Submit repeal of Montana Medical Marijuana Act to voters of Montana  
**EXHIBIT(huh63a01)**

00:00:50 Rep. Yates entered.  
00:01:06 Rep. Fitzpatrick entered.  
00:05:27 Rep. Furey entered.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:06:06 Candace Payne, Rimrock Foundation  
00:07:37 Dr. Paul Cook, President, Rocky Mountain Health Network  
00:08:16 Rep. Noonan entered.  
00:09:17 Rep. Skattum and Rep. Kennedy entered.  
00:09:20 Bruce Spencer, Montana Automobiles Association  
00:10:11 Jim Smith, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association  
00:12:12 Harris Himes, Montana Eagle Forum

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:13:14 Tom Daubert, Parents and Families United  
00:15:36 Jim Gingery, Montana Medical Grower Association  
00:17:22 Bruce Scharf, Self

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:18:45 Rep. Regier

**HEARING ON SB 272**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:20:09 Sen. Terry Murphy (R), SD 39, opened the hearing on SB 272, Revise laws related to psychologists prescriptive authority.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:23:19 Rep. Don Roberts  
00:27:42 Dr. Earl Sutherland, Self  
**EXHIBIT(huh63a02)**

00:34:51 Dr. Elaine LeVine, Prescribing Psychologist  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a03\)](#)  
00:41:06 Rep. Furey entered.  
00:42:29 Tom Rasmussen, Self  
00:45:48 Barbara Swehla, Montana Nurses Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a04\)](#)  
00:50:21 Dr. Patrick Davis, Montana Psychological Association  
00:50:48 Gary Spaeth, Montana Psychological Association  
00:52:21 Dr. Laura Wendlendt, Self  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a05\)](#)  
00:53:16 Dr. Michael Butz, Montana Psychological Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a06\)](#)  
00:57:05 Rose Hughes, Montana Health Care Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a07\)](#)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:00:20 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, National Alliance on Mental Illness Montana (NAMI)  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a08\)](#)  
01:05:45 Dr. Gary Mihelish, NAMI Montana  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a09\)](#)  
01:11:39 Quentin Schroeter, NAMI Montana  
01:15:05 Donald Harr, Montana Psychiatric Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a10\)](#)  
01:24:39 Jon Krutar, Self  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a11\)](#)  
01:27:23 Candace Payne, Montana Psychiatric Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a12\)](#)  
01:35:08 Shaun Gillis, NAMI  
01:37:14 Dr. Will Stratford, Psychiatrist  
01:39:43 David Brown, Self  
01:41:18 Dr. Michael Brown, Self  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a13\)](#)  
01:42:44 Ginny Hill, Montana Psychiatric Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a14\)](#)  
01:45:30 Erin MacLean, Montana Medical Association  
[EXHIBIT\(huh63a15\)](#)

**Informational Testimony:**

01:46:46 Dr. Paul Cook, President, Rocky Mountain Health Network

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:48:43 Rep. Kennedy  
01:49:01 Dr. Earl Sutherland  
01:49:49 Rep. Noonan  
01:50:16 Sen. Murphy  
01:51:49 Rep. Noonan

01:52:41	Sen. Murphy
01:53:15	Rep. Noonan
01:53:40	Matt Kuntz
01:54:50	Rep. Noonan
01:55:12	Matt Kuntz
01:56:35	Rep. Furey
01:57:10	Matt Kuntz
01:58:13	Rep. Furey
01:58:19	Matt Kuntz
01:59:10	Rep. Pease-Lopez
01:59:38	Matt Kuntz
01:59:44	Rep. Pease-Lopez
02:00:03	Matt Kuntz
02:00:47	Rep. Pease-Lopez
02:00:57	Matt Kuntz
02:01:15	Rep. Pease-Lopez
02:01:47	Dr. Earl Sutherland
02:03:33	Rep. Pease-Lopez
02:03:48	Dr. Earl Sutherland
02:04:23	Rep. Ingraham exited.
02:05:11	Rep. Hunter
02:05:49	Barbara Swehla
02:07:49	Rep. Hill
02:10:00	Dr. Earl Sutherland
02:11:35	Rep. Hill
02:11:58	Dr. Earl Sutherland
02:12:24	Rep. Hill
02:12:38	Dr. Earl Sutherland
02:13:18	Rep. Hill
02:13:25	Dr. Earl Sutherland
02:14:07	Rep. Hill
02:15:01	Dr. Michael Brown
02:16:15	Rep. Hill
02:16:19	Dr. Michael Brown
02:17:05	Rep. Kennedy
02:17:31	Dr. Paul Cook

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:18:15	Sen. Murphy
02:20:19	Chairman Howard
02:20:50	Sue O'Connell, Legislative Service Division
02:21:15	Chairman Howard

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 02:21:35

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Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([huh63aad.pdf](#))**